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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Allen Dulles Estate Records

l. Mr. Houston called. He stated that he had a call from W. Carter Bowles, Jr., Covington and Burling law firm. Bowles raised the question as to whether or not Mr. Metzdorf finished his appraisal of the Dulles papers.

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- 2. I advised Mr. Houston that after consultation with John in Mr. Houston's absence, we had determined that it would not be necessary for Metzdorf to appraise the items which had been identified under Category III in Mr. Houston's memorandum, dated 8 July 1969, and that Mr. Metzdorf appeared satisfied with this determination.
- 3. Apparently Mr. Houston gave my name to Mr. Bowles. He called me to inquire as to whether or not it would be possible for Mr. Metzdorf to appraise the papers falling within Category III of Mr. Houston's memorandum. I told Mr. Bowles that we had not finalized the sorting of papers that would fall into that category but that we hoped to do so after returns from his vacation. Mr. Bowles stated that he feels quite strongly that in order to meet estate tax requirements it would be necessary for Mr. Metzdorf to appraise these papers. He stated that Mr. Metzdorf would be in Washington again during the month of October. Even after I advised him that the papers in this category were sensitive; that in several instances, identified intelligence sources; and that the numbers of papers in this category would be quite small, he still insisted that the appraisal is necessary.

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4. I advised Mr. Bowles that in view of his feelings on this matter that we will have identified the papers to be placed in Category III before October and that we would make them available for Mr. Metzdorf's examination at that time.

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Acting Director of Security